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GROUP ART UNIT 1744**

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SIR:

In response to the Final Office Action of August 31, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.